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AROUND the TOWNSHIP

Catholic Sunday Schools Announce Christmas Parties

The following schedule for Christmas parties for Catholic Sunday Schools in the township is announced for this week and next, all but one of the programs to be sponsored by Sisters of the Holy Family of San Jose:

Newark—St. Edward's, to be held at the grammar school tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Niles—Corpus Christi, at the Veterans' Memorial Building, Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Alvarado—St. Anne's, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the grammar school.

Centerville—Holy Ghost, at the Park Hall on Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Decoto—Holy Rosary, on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2 o'clock at the church.

Children of the St. Joseph's church at Mission San Jose will be entertained by the Dominican Sisters on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 22, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be no Christmas program at St. Mary of the Palms this year but Christmas dinner will be served to the children who remain at the school for the holidays. Classes will close today and children who are to visit their parents for Christmas will leave Sunday and return on Jan. 3.

PLAY AND MINSTREL SHOW AT VETERANS BUILDING SUNDAY

NILES — The Corpus Christi Church will give an entertainment in the Veterans Memorial building on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The first part of the program will be a Christmas play by the Sisters entitled, "Maids of Bethlehem." A minstrel show will be given by the following children:

Betty Maciel, "Music, Maestro Please"; Betty Vieux, "My Walk in the Stick"; Florence Marie Brown, "There's Silver on the Sage"; Gloria Salvadorini, "A Tisket, A Tasket"; Loretta Lewis, "When Mother Nature Sings Her Lullaby"; Lillian Franco, "Stop Beatin' Round the Mulberry Bush"; Marie Avilla, "On the Bumpy Road to Love."

The chorus will be sung by children of the Confirmation Class, who are Henry Rego, Louie Costa, Florence Marie Brown, Gloria Salvadorini, Ernestine Rebello, Lillian Franco, Edith Costa, Janice Rodriguez, Alma Pogetto, Marie Avilla, Loretta Lewis, Dorothy Machado, Barbara Maciel, Betty Vieux, Anna Blanche Pratoli, Charlotte Lewis, Betty Maciel and Mickey Rose.

Accompanying the singing will be Albe Mae Costa, playing the piano and Albert Silva with his accordion. Lawrence Moise will be interlocutor for the minstrel show. Charlie McCarthy will be impersonated by Mickey Rose.

Candy and Christmas presents will be distributed to the children by the Holy Family Sisters.

TOWNSHIP SCOUTS HOLD ANNUAL RALLY

CENTERVILLE — The annual rally of the Boy Scouts of Washington Township was held at the high school last night under the chairmanship of Jack Prouty. Results of the inter-troop contests will appear in next week's Register.

NEARLY 100 JOIN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

NEWARK — The Newark Sportsmen held a dinner meeting at the Butler Hotel on Tuesday night. Those in charge were President Joe Machado, Louis Smith, Tony Ornells and S. G. Scott.

The club which was organized eight months ago now has 97 members. A turkey shoot was held at the skeet field last Sunday where the club has recently leased two acres of ground.

MASS AT 11:30 IN WINTER

Corpus Christi Church Niles: Mass every Sunday at 8:30 and 11:30. Decoto: Mass at 10 (2nd Sun. of Month at Decoto mass at 8:30)

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REBEKAH LODGE NAMES OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

NILES—Officers who will direct activities of Niles Rebekah Lodge No. 336 during the coming year were elected at the last regular meeting of the lodge.

Succeeding Mrs. Julia Cull as Noble Grand will be Mrs. Annabelle McGraw. Others to be installed are Mrs. Ivy Cull, vice grand; Mrs. Rose Fournier, recording secretary; Mrs. Fern Mitte, financial secretary and Mrs. Mary Barnard, treasurer.

Appointive officers will be named later, and installation will be held on Friday evening Jan. 20.

Mrs. Lucetta B. Duffey, district deputy president of District No. 53, will have charge of the installation ceremonies.

Hayward Noses Out Niles Rotary Club In Quiz Contest

NILES—Originality instead of accuracy marked many of the answers given in the quiz contest between the Hayward and Niles Rotary Clubs at last Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Niles club at the Hotel Belvoir.

Ward Cassidy of Hayward answered "little Elks" when asked what Elks have that no other animals have. The correct answer, he was informed was "parades."

Clarence Crane was chairman of the day, assisted by Lawrence Avilla and Dr. T. C. Wilson, president, was master of ceremonies.

The Niles team consisted of Fred Wood, George Smith, J. A. MacDonald, George Bonde, Dr. E. C. Dawson and C. W. Kraft who pitted their wits against Rev. W. A. Pankey, Fred Johnson, Harry Lee, Alfred Frager, Alvin Joseph and Ward Cassidy of Hayward, high score going to Fred Johnson, principal of the Hayward night school. Other Hayward guests were Bill Lindsay, Chester Perry and W. D. Sutherland.

This week's program was to be a surprise affair directed by E. F. Glassbrook and next Thursday's program will be a Christmas event with Rev. R. C. Day in charge.

SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. NORRIS

CENTERVILLE — Funeral services for Miranda Norris of Centerville were held this morning with mass at the Holy Ghost church and interment at the Holy Ghost cemetery, the Chapel of the Palms, officiating. The deceased, member of a prominent pioneer family of the community passed away at her home Wednesday morning after a brief illness.

She was the sister of Emma Harriet, Mary and David Norris and the late Joseph, Monroe and Garrett Norris. She was the aunt of Judge Allen G. Norris and Miss Marcella Norris of Centerville.

Court Will Rule On Dismissal Of Homicide Charge

CENTERVILLE — A ruling on the dismissal of the charge of negligent homicide against Dr. Gaylord K. Cooke, Berkeley city milk inspector, involving the death of Mrs. Mary Gilbert of San Jose was expected at a hearing this week before Judge Allen G. Norris of the Centerville Justice Court.

The prosecution, represented by L. E. Dayton, deputy district attorney, cited authorities last Friday, claiming that a complaint could be filed upon information and belief where the allegations are positive enough for the issuance of a warrant for arrest. Precedents quoted were claimed not to refer to the case in hand by the defense attorney, Allison Schofield of San Francisco. Schofield conceded authority of the deputy district attorney to file a complaint.

The hearing was conducted at the home of Judge Allen G. Norris due to the fact that he was unable to be in court after a week's illness.

Fred Duffie Chosen President Of Niles

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Mrs. Myrick wishes to thank all individuals who assisted in the roll call and particularly the several workers who helped this year for the first time. Organizations assisting were the Japanese American Citizenship League who sent \$81, the steel plant at Niles which sent in \$65 from individual members, the California Chemical plant at Newark which gave a company donation, the American Legion, the Auxiliary and the Boosters Club and the Women's Improvement Club at Newark.

Reports from towns are as follows: Niles, \$249.85; Centerville, \$115; Newark, \$91.50; Irvington, \$45; Alvarado, \$34; Decoto, \$27; Mission San Jose, \$13; and Warm Springs, \$11.

The Junior Chamber will assist with the Junior Traffic Patrol Christmas party at Pleasanton tomorrow night. Transportation will be furnished by President Lewis Lewis, Principal E. D. Bristow, Scout Executive W. T. Lindsay and Reginald Calhoun. Gifts will be bought for the boys by the P. T. A.

Reports of the Northern California convention of Junior Chambers at Treasure Island last Saturday were made by Lawrence Sharpe and Lawrence Pine who attended.

CHRISTMAS JINKS TUESDAY ENTERTAINS MEN OF TOWNSHIP

NILES — The Christmas Jinks of the Men's Club of Washington Township will be held next Tuesday night at the Veterans Memorial Building. A turkey dinner will be served by the Washington Township Post of the American Legion.

The program will include novelty numbers by the Five Aces, local orchestra, acrobatic dancing by Ginger Lane, vocal numbers by Phyllis Owens and a stage show of song and dance numbers directed by Scotty Weston. There will also be community singing.

President Erlie Hygeland will be toastmaster. Arrangements are being made by E. J. Pimentel, J. V. Gould and John Dutra. A. J. Petrone will have charge of decorations.

Irvinton To Hold Community Party

IRVINGTON — All children and grown-ups of Irvinton are invited to attend a Christmas party to be given this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at Maple Hall by the Parent Teachers Association.

Fifty dollars was donated by the association to sponsor a community tree and program for this afternoon. The program will be given by the grammar school under the direction of the faculty. The new orchestra will play under the direction of Dwight Thorneburg and Miss Barbara Root. Mrs. Wayne Day is general chairman for the tree and gifts and is being assisted by Mrs. Ann Rose and Miss Agnes Raymond.

Baskets have also been arranged for the needy by a committee headed by Mrs. Ethel Grimmer. The recent dinner and whist party netted the association \$71.08, according to Mrs. Raymond Benbow, publicity chairman.

TREE AND GIFTS AT CHURCH PARTY

NILES — The Christmas party of the Niles Congregational Church will be held at the Veterans' Memorial Building on Friday night, Dec. 23, according to the pastor, Rev. R. C. Day.

There will be a tree and gifts for the children and a special program of Christmas music by the choir. Arrangements are being made by Mrs. Fred Duffie, superintendent, and the other Sunday School teachers.

Red Cross Roll Call Nets Large Member Increase

Civic Organization

NILES—Final reports for the 1938 Red Cross Roll Call shows approximately a 50 per cent increase over last year's collections with a total of \$667.35 for the township, according to Mrs. C. N. Myrick, general chairman.

Mrs. Myrick wishes to thank all

JUNIOR CHAMBER NOMINATES OFFICERS AT NEXT SESSION

IRVINGTON — Nomination of officers will take place at the next meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Irvington on Monday night, Jan. 9. No meetings will be held during the holidays. It was decided at Monday night's gathering.

Secretary Vernon Leal and Edward L. Rose were appointed by President J. R. Silveria to outline a history of the chamber during its three years as an organization.

The following committee was appointed to arrange for the lighting of the municipal Christmas tree in the town park: J. R. Silveria, Wayne Day, Leonard Freitas and Vernon Leal.

Capacity Audience Shares Program For Cubs And Fathers

NILES—Cubs and fathers were entertained by the Parent-Teacher Association of the Niles Grammar School at the school Tuesday night. A capacity audience was present for the program and refreshments which were served at the close of the meeting.

The meeting opened with a salute to the flag lead by the Boy Scouts and Cubs. Mrs. Anthony Taylor, president of Phoebe Hearst Council read the collect and a short talk was made by Principal E. D. Bristow.

The unit donated \$5 to be used to buy gifts for the Junior Traffic Patrol to be distributed at the Christmas party at Pleasanton tomorrow night and Mrs. Reginald Calhoun, president appointed Mrs. Lewis Lewis, Mrs. Dick Attinger and Mrs. W. T. Lindsay to do the buying.

Announcement of a parental education class to start in January was made. Classes will meet at the school during the afternoon and all interested are asked to register at the school office. A citizenship class will also be started if an enrollment of 18 can be secured.

Mrs. C. N. Myrick was chairman of the program which included numbers by the Cubs. A boxing match by Tony Lucas and Joe Mendonca furnished considerable merriment and a demonstration of games played at Cub meetings was given. The Cub flag was presented by Mrs. Calhoun as a gift from the P. T. A., the sponsoring body, and was accepted by Bruce Roeding.

A play given by the eighth grade class under the direction of Miss Celeste Bunker included Loretta Lewis, Frank Perez, Kenneth Calhoun, Robert Bunting, Tommy Champion, Juanita Galvin, Avis Alberg, Margaret Kerns, Andrew Lindsay, Marjorie Brunelli, Dorothy Fae Franklin and Arlene Reed.

FARM CENTER PLANS BUSINESS SESSION AND YULE PROGRAM

CENTERVILLE — The annual Christmas meeting of the Washington-Eden Farm Center will be held at the Washington Union High School gymnasium this morning at 5:30 and at 7:30 o'clock. The dance is being sponsored by the Girls League under the direction of Miss Sibyl Botelho, dean of girls.

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by
CARTER FIELD

So-called yardstick becomes a straw man in joint senate-house investigation of TVA . . . How government can sell electricity cheaper than private concerns explained . . . Appointments present tough problem to President.

WASHINGTON.—One of the most extraordinary developments of any congressional inquiry in the memory of the oldest inhabitants is what the joint senate-house committee investigating the Tennessee Valley Authority is doing with regard to the so-called yardstick.

The point is that the committee has heard testimony for days run-

ning about the yardstick. Experts for the utilities have occupied days of the committee's time attacking the concept, seeking to prove that it is the bunk, that it is unfair, that it has no relation to what it is really supposed to be. The committee counsel, Francis Biddle, has spent endless effort trying to knock down the contentions of these experts, with some assistance from several of the Democratic members of the committee.

Which would be all right except for one little thing. What is happening is that a straw man has been erected, and everybody is acting as though he were real. The experts for the utilities are attacking the straw man and trying to knock him over. Biddle and the Democrats are also acting as though the straw man were the sacred ark of the covenant and trying to prevent a single dent or singe.

What is this straw man? It is the concept of the TVA yardstick that the public in general, and congress in particular, held up to last summer. It was the idea that the TVA was going to determine, by actual operation, what electric rates should be, what prices would be fair, and what prices extortionate. This yardstick was to be held up to the country, with the general idea that the public would then know whether, in any particular community, it was being treated fairly by its utility company.

But that concept was thrown to the winds last summer at Knoxville by no less an authority than David E. Lilienthal, who is the most powerful of the two remaining Tennessee Valley Authority commissioners.

Tells How Government Can Undersell Private Firms

Lilienthal was on the stand before this same committee. He was asked by Rep. Charles A. Wolverton what it was that enabled a government operation to sell electricity more cheaply than a privately owned one.

Lilienthal frankly stated, with no hesitation at all, what these elements were. One was the government could borrow money for 2 per cent, whereas private capital had to pay much more. He pointed out that in the production of electricity from water power the chief element of cost is interest on the investment, the cost of the dam, the land for the reservoir, the dynamos, the power transmission lines, etc.

Another element which made government costs cheaper, he pointed out, was that when the government built a dam it could charge off a considerable fraction of the cost to flood control and navigation, whereas a private company had no way of being able to cash in on such benefits, even if they were admitted.

Still a third element, he admitted, was the difference in taxes.

In some surprise, Sen. Harry H. Schwartz, one of the Democratic members of the committee, asked Lilienthal what, in view of what Lilienthal had just said, became of the yardstick. Lilienthal hesitated for a moment, and then asked the committee's permission to take some time in carefully writing out his answer. He would like to produce a definition of the yardstick, he said, which would be right, and could not be attacked.

Problem in Appointments Faces President Roosevelt

President Roosevelt faces a real problem on his approaching Supreme Court and department of justice appointments. As a matter of fact the dilemma extends generally to recruiting for all New Deal officials, in such cases as appointments require confirmation by the Senate before the officials can take office.

The Senate is feeling its oats. It is returning from the country anti-C. I. O., anti-sit-down strikes, anti-Corcoran and Cohen, and, for the first time, not afraid of what the President might be able to do to punish recalcitrants.

So far as the attorney general is concerned, the President's problem is complicated by geography. His real choice for attorney

general to succeed Homer S. Cummings is Robert H. Jackson. But Jackson is from New York state, and the Empire state already has three cabinet members—Henry Morgenthau Jr., James A. Farley and Miss Frances Perkins.

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In addition, her leaving the cabinet would open up a real problem, unless the President were to appoint Edward F. McGrady, the only known person who could be appointed Secretary of Labor without starting something approaching a civil war between the A. F. of L. and C. I. O.

Not Easy to Find a Man Big Enough for the Job

New Dealers generally, admitting that the fact there are now three cabinet members from New York, which eliminates Robert H. Jackson as a serious contender for the attorney generalship, are predicting that Gov. Frank Murphy of Michigan will be appointed.

No one can be sure what the President will do, especially as it is not an easy task he has to pick out a man who will seem to the country big enough for the job, and yet be a militant New Dealer—especially as the department of justice is one place where it is extremely important, from the White House standpoint, to have a 100 per cent New Dealer. As a matter of fact, Homer S. Cummings had certain failings, from the New Deal standpoint, because every now and then he would have a conservative reaction.

So Murphy, once Jackson is passed over, would seem a "natural" for the attorney generalship.

But to appoint him would be to provoke a new White House versus Senate battle, which would approach the Supreme court enlargement fight in bitterness and popular interest. Moreover, the President would be committing himself in advance, in this battle, to the side which, if one is to accept the political verdict on Capitol Hill, is unpopular.

It is generally agreed among politicians here that the biggest surprise of this year's primaries and elections was the reaction of the voters to C. I. O. and the sit-down strike. The first important manifestation was the Texas primary. It cropped out in various other primaries, but then the verdict became confused with the Ohio primary, where C. I. O.'s most hated governor, Martin L. Davey, was defeated.

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Dog Saves Farmer From Bull's Attack
BROCKVILLE, ONT.—A dog saved Fred Kerr from being trampled to death by a bull. Kerr was leading the bull to drink when it attacked him and threw him down. The bull was about to trample him when the dog distracted its attention. As the dog kept worrying the bull, Kerr rolled along the ground to safety.

FARMER GOES BROKE AND NAMES WOMAN

Declares She Put Curse on Him 19 Years Ago.

DUBLIN.—A once prosperous West of Ireland farmer, Richard Smyth, 59 years old, of Ballsbridge, blames his bad luck on a woman. He says she laid a curse on him 19 years ago.

Ever since he has felt himself dogged by ill luck, he declares. Nothing he has tried has succeeded.

The curse, he insists, has cost him \$50,000, forced him to sell his farm and go to Dublin to live with friends. The woman died seven years ago.

Smyth and the woman lived on neighboring farms. Only a narrow lane separated their lands.

"She was 50 years old," he said. "She never liked me, always wanted to get my farm. One day I seemed to have annoyed her. She cursed me, prayed that I would have nothing but bad luck as long as I lived."

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Boy's Record as Runaway Piles Up Since Infancy

INDUSTRY, N. Y.—After returning James Rautsaw, 16, from his third escape trip this year, state industrial school authorities agree with the youth's relatives that it is difficult to keep him where he belongs.

Jimmy's record also includes 31 escapes—and apprehensions—in one year while committed to a detention house at Berkshires, Mich., authorities said.

The relatives, who live at nearby Penn Yan, revealed the boy's escapades began when, just out of the toddling age, he ran away on numerous occasions. In the hope that he might be "shamed" into staying home, they dressed him in girl's clothing.

A few hours later he was brought home by a social worker, who reported finding the "little lost girl" plodding along a road several miles from Penn Yan.

Bottle Note Is Delivered Just 23 Years Too Late

ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA.—Just 23 years after Lieut. Henry Blunt threw a bottle, containing a message to his fiance, overboard from a troopship that was carrying him to the World War in 1915, the message was delivered. It was addressed to Miss G. M. Severen, then living in South Australia.

Recently the bottle was washed ashore about 60 miles from Albany. The finder forwarded the message as requested and it was delivered. Blunt in the meantime had married Miss Severen in 1919 upon his return from the war.

Detective Watches Cat
DALLAS, TEXAS.—Assigned to duty at a wedding reception, Detective Vic Register assumed it would be the usual job of safeguarding the gifts. Instead, the hostess asked Register to guard the wedding cake and prevent her pet cat from jumping on it.

CONVICT BECOMES WRITER OF TALES ABOUT CRIMINALS

Under Sentence for Murder Man Wins Recognition As an Author.

HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS.—Thomas F. Whiteside, serving a murder sentence in Texas state prison, is gaining recognition as a short story writer.

Two national magazines have accepted recent stories by Whiteside for early publication, prison officials have been published already, and his earnings from writings within "The Walls" have passed the \$600 mark.

Whiteside, who was sentenced for the "threat" killing of his wife and once was classed as "incurable," finds solace during his loneliest hours in the experiences of O. Henry, who at one time was a prisoner, and the great writers of the more distant past who served sentences.

"It's so hard to do anything in stir—I can't put it on paper, the atmosphere is so terrible," Whiteside wrote once. "Stop and think—O. Henry, Cervantes, and all the rest of the glorified ex-cons made good 'after' their release. A man gets plenty of experiences in here, but it's hard to click. Bunyan did it, but he had religion. As for me, I've been roasting on the spit for years and there aren't many angels, I find, who'll moisten your tongue with kindness."

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Thieves Unknowningly Get 'Fatal' Scarab

PORCH CHESTER, N. Y.—An ancient Egyptian scarab kept in an isolated spot in the Kendig mansion because its three previous owners had died suddenly has been stolen.

The beetle-shaped gem was stolen some time within the last 10 days in the furnished but unoccupied house owned by the five brothers and sisters of the Kendig family. The stone had been put away by their mother with strict orders to her children and the servants not to touch it. Thus it was left behind when J. R. Kendig, last of the family to live in the house, moved to other quarters some months ago.

The stone, fashioned into a scarf pin, had been worn by three men since it was found by a British mining engineer along the River Nile about 1900. The engineer died within three days after first sticking it into his necktie. His widow gave it to an American railroad official who died a couple of days later. Kendig's father was next to own the gem and he died in a few days.

The widow decided that because of the deaths she would not give the stone away. On her deathbed in 1917 she swore members of the family to keep the strange history of the gem a secret.

Its intrinsic value, police said, is small. The total loot obtained by the thieves amounted to about \$1,000.

Feather-Tosser Woody Tossed Out of Wheat Pit

CHICAGO.—Woody Hockaday was tossed into the county hospital psychopathic ward recently for attempting to spread his feathers on the Chicago Board of Trade wheat pit.

The Kansan, who once showered Secretary of War Harry Woodring with feathers in a campaign for peace and failed in an attempt to reach President Roosevelt with another sackful, ran onto the trading floor shouting: "\$1.50 wheat or bust."

The trading floor is limited to brokers. Guards seized him, and an unstrung basket of feathers, at the first outcry.

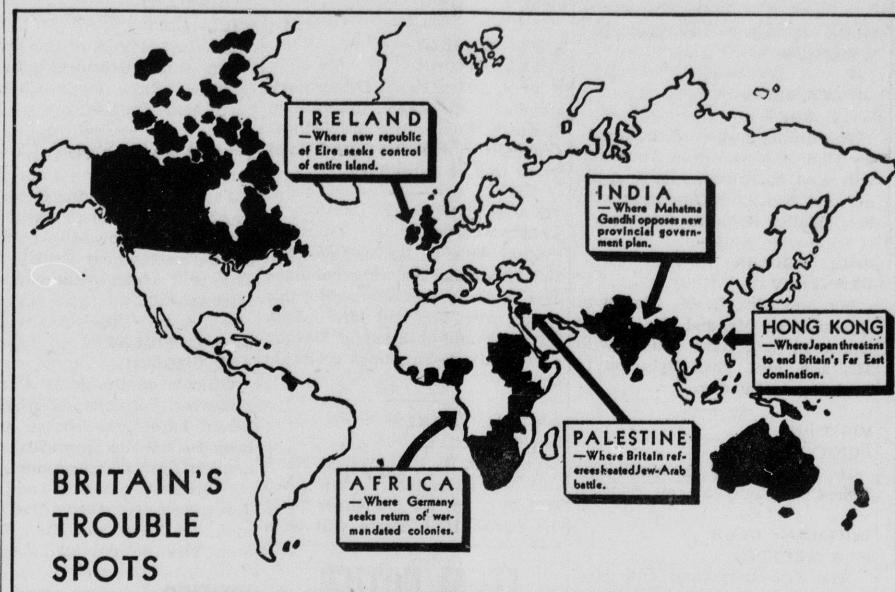
Fawn Chews Tobacco; But It Must Be Fine Cut

SWAN CREEK, MAN.—The Erickson family of Swan Creek is not keeping a dog these days. The household has a pet fawn, Patsy. And she is creating nearly as much trouble for the Ericksons and the neighbors as anybody's dog.

Patsy was found last summer, and was so small that she was carried home in a jacket pocket. Since then she's grown considerably.

She now chews tobacco, ascertaining first that it's fine cut. She frequently raids neighborhood gardens.

British Empire, Beset by Woes, Faces Battle to Retain Position



Five Trouble Spots Draw London's Attention in Desperate Effort to Appease Dictators and Still Maintain World Supremacy

By JOSEPH W. LABINE

Every world empire in history has eventually been threatened by disintegration. It happened to Alexander the Great, to Rome and to Spain. Today it is happening to Great Britain.

Obviously any alliance of world powers like that of Germany, Italy and Japan must run smack-bang into conflict with the far-flung British Empire, whose tentacles reach from London into every cranny of the globe. Such is the case

Deprived of its rail connection to interior China, and with Chinese merchants intent on boycotting Japanese-owned Canton, Hongkong bids fair to become a ghost city.

African Colonies Important.

Britain's second trouble zone is Africa, where Germany demands return of the colonies mandated to the United Kingdom following the World War. These include Tanganyika, British Cameroons and British Togoland, all held directly by London, and Southwest Africa, mandated to the British Union of South Africa.

Economically, most of these colonies are useless to the empire but their strategic value is something else. Tanganyika gave Britain a connecting link between East Africa and South Africa, across which she hopes some day to build a Cape to Cairo railroad. Moreover, the British realize that Germany could use the war-lost colonies as naval and air bases, and that African possessions would give the Reich a excuse for building up her navy. This is a danger London is anxious to avoid.

The most likely trouble spot is Southwest Africa, which alone of the one-time German possessions is desirable for colonization.

Moslems Unite.

Palestine, the third problem, is a battleground for Arabs and Jews. Its modern history goes back to the World War, when Britain enlisted Arab support against Turkey, promising the Moslems control over Palestine as payment. But after the war, when Britain won a mandate over Palestine, she established part of the Holy Land as a national home for world Jewry.

The resultant battle between Hebrews and Arabs has been bitter and has placed London in an uncomfortable position. First, by supporting the Jewish cause, she faces conflict with Jew-hating Germany and Italy, both of which are now trying to make their nations 100 percent "Aryan." Moreover, Britain's forced hostility toward the Arabs is fomenting a nationalistic feeling in the Moslem world.

As a ruler of Moslems in Palestine and elsewhere, Britain is thereby cutting her own throat. But her primary interest in Palestine is not Arabs or Jews but rather the Holy Land's strategic importance as a connecting link between her empires to the west and the east. It lies along vital air and sea routes which she must preserve.

Indian Question Unsolved.

Trouble spot No. 4 is India, little mentioned in today's headlines because nationalistic outbreaks are too common place in this richest of all lands. India offers the United Kingdom no immediate threat to her empire security, yet it is an ugly sore that adds to the whole of London's embarrassment.

India contains one-fifth of the world's population, represents every

religious and political creed, and is a mixture of at least 20 races that speak some 220 languages and dialects. It is obviously impossible to satisfy such a people, nor is the new "home rule" constitution a very far-reaching attempt to satisfy them. Under it, all real power is vested in British provincial governors who can veto what few actions the legislatures are empowered to take. Moreover they rule by decrees when legislatures are not sitting and can disband the sessions at will.

Although Mahatma Gandhi is no longer a leading force in Indian nationalism agitation, he has been succeeded by an equally strong chieftain, Jawaharlal Nehru, who is leading the battle to have the constitution abolished. Difficult though Britain's position may be, it is to be deplored that she has not made a more aggressive attempt to make peace in India. This responsibility is especially incumbent in view of the pot of gold that the empire has discovered in India. Since 1600 Britons have waxed rich in the Indian trade. Today the country is England's best customer, buying one-tenth of all her manufactured exports. Out of each dollar in revenue collected by the Indian government, 27 cents is spent in England, although England contributes less than 2 cents.

Erica Seeks Plebiscite.

The final trouble spot is Eire, just across the Irish channel from England's capital. At the end of this year Great Britain will lose its last shred of control over the largest part of Ireland, which has an area about the size of Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Under Eamon De Valera, the southern portion of the island has waged a successful battle for nationalization and is now attempting to increase its sway by taking possession of Ulster. This latest development follows Mr. Chamberlain's pronouncement in favor of "self-determination" for European minorities. He was immediately pounced upon by Mr. De Valera, who said that self-determination should also hold good for Ireland.

If he has his way, Mr. De Valera will conduct a plebiscite in Ulster. Four of the six counties, almost entirely Protestant, will probably vote to join with Catholic Eire, the once-pronounced religious difference being forgotten under pressure of Eire's economic grasp on the island.

Such is the string of Great Britain's troubles and liabilities across the empire on which, it was once believed, the sun never sets. If Mr. Chamberlain's policy of dictator appeasement is continued, observers believe these liabilities will indeed be lessened, that the empire will begin a steady process of internal decay in which one collapse will follow another. Offsetting this fear is the growing English opinion against Chamberlain conservatism, a movement which found expression last year in the anti-dictator policy of Anthony Eden, former secretary of state for foreign affairs. Mr. Eden is back in private life now, but repercussions against Mr. Chamberlain's "peace" of Munich are mounting every week and many Englishmen see hope for a new government with a stronger chin.

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As your hairline grows, attempt to clip it curled for gala nights with very small curlers, the iron, or by twisting it on hairpins. We will all have to go through the growing pains unless we have been wise enough to keep our hairline unclipped. During the heart-breaking stage you might pin curly ends over the ragged ends.

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HINT-OF-THE-DAY

Cologne Is Feminine Necessity

Cologne is an extremely refreshing body rub and is also a luxurious body deodorant. You will find that an after-bath rubdown of cologne before going to bed will leave a lovely fragrance clinging to your sheets in the morning. This makes for the kind of daintiness that lovely women seek—a faint fragrance that seems to be a part of their personality, exuding from them as they move and breathe.

A good brand of cologne, one with a distinctive personality, in its fragrance, should be used. It should hint at lightheartedness, glitter and gaiety.

Cologne, by the way, makes a splendid gift, and for this purpose several brands are available in unique bottles as an adornment to the dressing table.

Stone Age Safety-Pins

Many housewives have blessed that simple yet ingenious boon, the common safety-pin. It was invented early in the last century. But was it? Actually, says London Tit-Bits magazine, it was re-invented—for research in the earthworks of prehistoric peoples has brought to light the modern safety-pin whose usefulness had to disappear for thousands of years before the same idea occurred again to another human brain.

Fragile Look Fostered by New Coiffure

By PATRICIA LINDSAY

ARTISTS and poets have raved about the lovely nape of a woman's neck since time began. It is supposed to be one of our most alluring feminine charms! And because fashion repeats itself, napes of necks are bare again, as those new and exciting, brush-the-hair-high coiffures are here for a long stay!

Such a hair-do is gloriously feminine. It has a way of making a woman or a girl more fragile. You know—looking as if she might not be able to take a severe scolding! And that's always a help!

Dame fashion has a way of keeping us on our toes. We can never quite sit back and say, "I'm all



settled for the next year!" For instance, two things will concern the woman who decides to make this change in her hair style—How to keep the back hair-line trim and appealing, and how to make her hair stay up just after she has trained it into a long page-boy bob!

Take an honest look at that back hairline of yours after you have combed and brushed your hair high on your head. Not very beautiful, is it? What can you expect if you have allowed hair dressers or barbers to hack away at it for years?

But you've got to groom it into a smooth even line and train the hair to grow softly and naturally upward. For a time you may use a tiny barrette or small hairpin to keep it up, but by late fall it should stay

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SANTA STRIKES OIL!

Ever since he was born, Santa has been giving and giving. But to him who waits, all things come. Now the tables have been turned, and at last Santa himself has struck oil—that is, Santa Claus, Indiana, has.

And to all intents and purposes, that little village is the real Kris Kringle to millions of Americans. Getting letters postmarked at Santa Claus, Indiana, approaches the proportions of a national pastime every December. Department stores in some of the larger cities have already set up booths for re-mailing gift packages postmarked with the magic name of Santa Claus. And village Postmaster Oscar Philippus and his assistants are now knee-deep in the flood of Christmastide mail which every season pours into the white-whiskered gentleman's only post-office address.

But this year the town is doubly excited. Oil has been discovered! The rush is on. Claims are being staked out. Bustling promoters are grabbing up leases under each other's nose. Test wells are being put into action, and real estate holders are hoping desperately that Santa will leave black gold in their backyard this year.

Meanwhile, most of the youngsters of this country aren't worrying a bit about whether Santa strikes oil. As long as he strikes their chimney, and makes a happy landing on the hearthplace, that's a merry Christmas to them.

And so say we all!

MOTHERS AND DADS PROVIDE PARTY

MISSION SAN JOSE—A Christmas party will be given at the Mission San Jose school tonight

by the Mothers and Dads Club for students. A program will be given by the children including song and dance numbers and a musical pantomime of the Christmas story.

A Bright Idea for Christmas Giving!



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The next time you go gift-hunting, browse through the lamp section of your favorite store. All of these new I.E.S. Better Light for Better Sight Lamps are reasonable in price. All come with white glass diffusing bowls and properly designed shades. All have the switches and bulbs that allow one to turn on just the right amount of light that is needed or wanted. You'll agree a Better Light for Better Sight Lamp is a bright idea for Christmas giving.

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PARTY AT HILL HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Hill entertained 12 friends at dinner last Wednesday.

DRAMA SECTION WILL MEET

The drama section of the Country Club of Washington Township will meet on Friday, Jan. 6, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Anderson with Mrs. Walter Robie as chairman.

WILL VISIT IN BERKELEY

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Clough of Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson will have dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ford Byington in Berkeley on Sunday.

VISIT IN SUNNYVALE

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. McWhirter visited in Sunnyvale on Sunday.

BIRTHDAY CLUB HAS MEETING

Mrs. Eric Bergstrom and Mrs. Belle Chadbourne were honor guests at a meeting of the Birthday Club at the home of Mrs. Frank T. Dusterberry on Tuesday. Mrs. George Coit was co-hostess.

VISITS AUNT IN CAMPBELL

Mrs. W. L. McWhirter visited her aunt in Campbell on Monday.

OAKLAND GUESTS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. E. M. Grimmer entertained friends from Oakland at luncheon on Monday.

GARDEN CLUB HAS LUNCHEON

Mrs. Martha Phillips, teacher, and members of the Washington Union Night School garden class met at luncheon at the high school cafeteria on Monday. The menu was prepared by the cooking classes and table decorations were by the art classes.

FOOTBALL BOYS ENTERTAINED

Eighteen members of the football squad of the Washington Union High School were entertained at a turkey dinner at the home of Al Silva last Friday night.

NATIVE DAUGHTERS TO HAVE PARTY

The Betsy Ross Parlor of Native Daughters will have a Christmas party at Anderson's Hall tonight. The program is being arranged by Evelyn Garcia. There will be an exchange of gifts and refreshments will be served.

SCHOOL TO HAVE HOLIDAY

The Centerville Grammar School will close today for Christmas vacation and will reopen on Tuesday morning, January 3.



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ENTERTAIN AT DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Barton Webb entertained a group of friends at a bridge dinner at their new home in Kilkare Woods last Saturday night.

ATTEND LODGE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dusterberry attended a meeting of the Pythian Sisters at Loyal Temple Wednesday night in honor of Grand Chief Grace Cox of Sebastopol.

TO VISIT IN SACRAMENTO

Mrs. Fleda O. Bunting and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Waltenberger have been visiting in Sacramento this week with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chandler and children of Nevada City for a pre-Christmas celebration.

ANNUAL TURKEY WHIST DEC. 28

The S. P. R. S. I. Council No. 4 will hold its annual Turkey whist at 8:30 p.m. on December 28 at the Parish Hall. There will be a

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, California hereby calls for sealed proposals to be delivered to the Clerk of said Board at the office of said Board in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California until Tuesday, the 3rd day of January, 1939, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. at which time and place said bids will be opened for the furnishing of construction materials of the following types:

Electric Finished Hardware Sheet Metal

To be used in the reconstruction, construction and repair of the school grounds and buildings of the Washington Union High School District, located at Centerville, California.

These bids shall be presented in accordance with the specifications for said construction materials on file at the office of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, Centerville, California.

Bidders may submit bids for furnishing any or all of the above types of construction materials, but must bid on all items included under each type bid upon as provided in the form of proposal hereinafter referred to, unless otherwise specifically provided therein.

These bids must be made on proposals obtained at the office of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California and must be signed by the bidder, and accompanied by a certified check, certified to by some responsible bank or banker and made payable to the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, to be retained by said Washington Union High School District of Alameda County as agreed and liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract should be awarded fail to enter into the contract or any bond required by law. The amount of said check shall be for at least ten per cent (10%) of the total amount of the tendered bid.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids on any or all items of such bids.

By order of the Board of Trustees, December 13, 1938, Centerville, California.

H. F. HARROLD,

Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, California.

(Dec. 16-23)

WATER DISTRICT LAND FOR SALE

Sealed bids are invited for the purchase of approximately 100 acres of land, including a duck pond site, situated at Alvarado, on former site of East Bay Water Company. For information as to acreage to be sold, inquire W. D. Patterson, R. F. D. 14, Newark, or E. A. Richmond, Alvarado. Bids should be addressed to the Board of Directors, Alameda County Water District, Centerville, California, and must be in the hands of the Board not later than 12 o'clock noon, Feb. 4, 1939.

CHRIS RUNNEL

Secretary, Board of Directors.

turkey door prize as well as turkeys and chickens and other prizes. The proceeds will be used toward sending out Christmas baskets to needy families.

LADIES AID WILL MEET

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Loren Marriott for a Christmas party next Thursday.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO SING CAROLS

Young people of the Centerville Presbyterian church will join others of the township parish in singing carols next Friday night. They will return to the church for refreshments.

C. E. OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN

Officers of the joint Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian parish have been chosen as follows: Peter Stark, president; Richard Marriott, vice president; Carrie Gronley, secretary and Fred Joyce, treasurer. Committee chairmen are Ruby and Ruth Brown, June Van Ike and John Ziegler.

VISITING IN OREGON

Mrs. Bell is visiting in Oregon and will be away two months.

VISITING IN IOWA

Mrs. Frank Oldfield and children left Saturday for a six weeks' visit in Iowa.

Irvington Items

* ON EXTENDED TRIP TO NEW MEXICO

Chris Jorgensen and Berkeley St. John Green motored to Deming, New Mexico, where they plan to stay a week or ten days visiting with Mr. Green's brother, who is the city treasurer.

GREET GRAND PRESIDENT

Those who attended the official visit of the Grand President to the El Cereso Parlor of the Native Daughters in San Leandro from the Betsy Ross Parlor were Carolyn Brown, Minnie Castellano,

Agnes Raymond, Mary F. Silva, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Marie Williams, Iva Calderia and Madeline Freitas.

DINNER GUESTS IN SAN JOSE

Mr. and Mrs. Will Benbow and son, Oliver, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Tully in San Jose on Sunday.

IN STOCKTON OVER CHRISTMAS

Miss Bobbie Foster is spending the Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. Frances Thompson and family in Stockton.

SAN FRANCISCO VISITORS SUNDAY

Miss Esther Goularte and Miss Dorothy Mello visited with friends in San Francisco Sunday.

HAVE GUESTS OVER WEEK END

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Connolly and son, John, of Walnut Creek spent the week end with Mr. and

PLAN PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Plans have been made by the Parent Teacher Association to have a Christmas party for the children at the Maple Hall Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Besides the Christmas tree there will be gifts and candy given to all by Santa Claus.

FISHING AT BAY POINT

Billy Katzer and Lucifer Rose spent Sunday at Bay Point fishing.

Mrs. E. H. Hirsch.

ENTERTAINED IN SAN FRANCISCO

Mrs. Sturtevant and Mrs. O'Leary spent the week end in San Francisco.

ENJOY BUFFET SUPPER SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. William Dargatz were guests at a buffet supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Brownley in Oakland Saturday night.

STOCKTON VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and sons of Stockton spent the

week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Foster.

BACK FROM HOLLYWOOD TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Graves and family have returned after several days trip to Hollywood.

KNITTING CLUB TO MEET

The Irvington Knitting Club will hold its next meeting at Mrs. Fern Overacker's in Mission San Jose on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

MISS BROWN HAS RECOVERED

Miss Beatrice Brown, who has been confined to her home due to illness for several weeks, is back to work.

YOUNG COUPLE SETTLED IN HOME

After several months Mrs. Walter Roethlin has joined her husband and the young couple are now settled in the M. R. Sousa home.

DANCE TO WAYNE KING

Miss Pearl Silva, Manuel Guardanap, Vernon Leah, Manuel Silva, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe California attended the dance at Sweet's Ball Room in Oakland with Wayne King entertaining.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. J. A. Marciel was brought home from the Hayward hospital Sunday in the Berge ambulance.

NEWLYWEDS BACK FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pond will return from Santa Monica to have Christmas dinner with their families at the R. L. Pond home.

TOYON BERRIES HOLD SESSION

On Saturday the Toyon Berries met at the home of Rosemary Burke in Mission San Jose. Plans were made for a dance to be given in the near future. The organization offered its services in assisting in the welfare work in the township

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Decoto Doings**IMPROVING FROM PNEUMONIA**

Henry Andrade, who has been seriously ill at his home here with pneumonia, is reported to be improving.

LOCAL COUPLE WED SUNDAY

Miss Jennie Navas and Manuel Boliba, both of Decoto, were united in marriage at a ceremony performed at the Corpus Christi Church at Niles on Sunday afternoon.

FAMILY DINNER ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Zwissig celebrated her birthday with a family dinner at her home on Sunday.

SEVERE COLD KEEPS CHILD HOME

Barbara Jean Enos, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Enos, Jr., has been confined to her home for the past week with a severe cold.

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STOCKTON MAN VISITS HERE
Arthur Salz of Stockton was a visitor here on Monday.

NATIVE SONS HONOR CHARTER MEMBERS ON ANNIVERSARY

CENTERVILLE — The 48th anniversary of Washington Parlor of Native Sons was celebrated at Centerville Monday night. Four new members were initiated before an assemblage of 60, including several grand officers, and a midnight supper was served at the Country Club building by ladies of the club.

Honored guests were Frank T. Dusterberry and W. W. Walton, charter members. Distinguished visitors included Grand President Joseph J. McShane of San Francisco, Grand Vice President Edward T. Schnarr of Oakland, Grand Secretary John Regan of San Francisco, Grand Treasurer John Corrado of San Jose. Grand Trustee Lloyd Cosgrove and District Deputies Walter Davis, William Dombrink and Harold Farley of Oakland.

New members initiated were Ed Quaresima and Jack Prouty of Irvington, James Logan of Alvarado and George Azevedo of Centerville. The initiatory team was composed of Judge Allen G. Norris, Tom Silva, Tom Silva, Jr., Max Stevenson, Leonard Lucio, M. P. Mathiesen, F. T. Dusterberry and E. J. Pimentel.

NEW DAUGHTER IN GARCIA HOME
Mr. and Mrs. Merced Garcia are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a baby girl. The little Miss has been named Elvera.

SMALL SON ILL OF PNEUMONIA
The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Dominguez is confined to the hospital with pneumonia.

GUESTS OF RELATIVES HERE
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Snyder of San Francisco visited at the home of relatives here on Saturday evening.

ATTEND WOMEN'S CLUB SESSION
Mrs. Alwin Seales and Mrs. J. L. Olson attended a meeting of the women's club at Centerville Tuesday afternoon.

PROGRAM FEATURES BOX SOCIAL GIVEN BY PYTHIAN LODGE

CENTERVILLE — The following took part in the program given at the Country Club building Thursday night in connection with the box social being sponsored by the Knights of Pythias for the benefit of the Christmas party for the Presbyterian Parish Sunday Schools:

Joseph Amaral, master of ceremonies; Phyllis Owens, guitar; Bobby Rogers, saxophone; John Cardosa, harp; Ben Mozzetti and Manuel Santos, accordion; Wesley Nunes, Alvin King, Peter Stark, Phyllis Dias, Paul Manley, solos; Ruth and Ruby Brown, duets; Elaine Justus and Madelon Perry, novelty number; Madelon Perry and Isabel Perry, duet. Bert and Ruth Justus will give a tap dance.

A play presented by the following K. P.'s: Jack DeLuce, Bernard Ashmore, Tony Alameda, Clarence and Z. Springer, Neil Norman, Everett Gaunt, Leonard Whitbeck and Al Cox. Arrangements were made by Frank Oldfield, Harley and Kenneth Tinkham. Box lunches were auctioned by Art Cotone.

SPORTSMEN'S CLUB TO INSTALL JAN. 4

CENTERVILLE — Officers elected last week by the Washington Township Sportsmen's club include Kenneth Ferry, president; Manuel Soito, vice president; Ben Kramer, secretary; Wilbur Bettencourt, treasurer, and Joe Duarte, sergeant at arms. Joe Roderick will install new officers on Wednesday, Jan. 4.

TELEPHONE OFFICIAL AGAIN PROMOTED

M. R. Sullivan, vice president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, who has been in charge of the management of the Company's affairs in Northern California, has been promoted, his duties being made company-wide. He will also be chief of staff of the first vice president's organization.

Sullivan was born in Oakland and started in the telephone business as a clerk in 1912. He was made vice president and general manager of Northern California in 1934.

A. L. Littig, formerly general traffic manager of the Southern California Telephone Company, Los Angeles, was appointed a vice president and will succeed Sullivan.

Alvarado Shorts**FARM WOMEN IN ALL DAY MEETING**

A Christmas party was held by the Farm Department at the home of Mrs. Adeline Santos of Centerville on Wednesday. The meeting began at 10 a. m. and was followed with a pot-luck luncheon.

ODD FELLOWS OF DISTRICT MEET

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of District No. 36, including Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, Alvarado, Irvington and Niles will have a get-together social meeting at Pleasanton tomorrow night. There will be dancing, cards and refreshments. Families of all members are invited and arrangements are being made by George Reinking and Ed Heiser of Hayward, members of Crusade Lodge.

INSTITUTE PLANS PARTY ON DEC. 22

The Alvarado S. P. R. S. I. will give a Christmas party on Dec. 22 at the Odd Fellows Hall for members. Mrs. Edith Mello will have charge.

CARD PARTY AT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

St. Anne's Confraternity gave a card party at the Alvarado Grammar School last Saturday night for the Sisters of the Holy Family. Mrs. Genevieve Dutra had charge.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GIVEN PARTIES

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Alvarado Grammar School had a Christmas party at the school last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were distributed and community singing was lead by Isabel Ferry. Plans were made to entertain the children, jointly with the board of trustees, this afternoon.

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Newark Newslette**S. P. R. S. I. HAVE XMAS PARTY**

The S. P. R. S. I. of Newark held their regular meeting on Thursday evening at Silva's hall. The official grand president was present. After the meeting a Christmas party was held among the members, each one receiving a gift. Refreshments were served.

BUTLER RAPIDLY RECOVERING

George Butler, Newark Merchant, is rapidly recovering after receiving chest injuries, cuts and bruises Monday of last week when his automobile struck a telephone pole near Milpitas.

BOY SCOUTS HOLD MEETINGS

The Boy Scout troop of Newark held the regular meeting on Monday evening at the Grammar School. A patrol meeting was also held last week at the Senior patrol's home.

WOMEN ATTEND BANQUET

Lena Calderia and Emma Dias attended the U. P. E. C. banquet at Centerville on Sunday in honor of the grand president of San Diego.

GROUP AT PALACE HOTEL IN S. F.

Miss Bernice Weber and Karl Nordvik of Newark together with Mr. and Mrs. Hemphill of Hayward spent Saturday evening dinner dancing at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco.

BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD ON MONDAY

A birthday party was held for Mr. Guerraro on Monday evening at his home. The evening was spent in playing games. A dinner was served. Many friends and relatives attended.

COLLINS IN OAKLAND SUNDAY

James Collins spent last Sunday in Oakland at the home of E. L. Collins, where his godchild, Dennis Eugene, was christened.

CIVIC CLUB IS REORGANIZED

The Portuguese-American Civic Club reorganized last Saturday evening at a meeting at Silva's hall, where a dance followed.

BETH LEAVES FOR CANADA

Miss Winnie Bertelson's niece, Beth, left last week for Vancouver, Canada.

WOMEN ATTEND LUNCHEON

Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Zorn and Mrs. J. F. Silva attended a luncheon at Oakland on Wednesday.

MARY BISHOP SICK WITH MUMPS

Mary Lu Bishop has been confined to her bed with mumps.

TAKEN TO JACKSON LAKE HOSPITAL

Mrs. Mary Flaherty was taken to the Jackson Lake Hospital on Monday.

WOMEN IN S. F. ON BUSINESS TRIP

Mrs. Boles and Mrs. Williams spent Monday in San Francisco on a business trip.

PROGRAM AT N. P. C. SUNDAY

A Christmas program will be held at the Newark Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

IMP. CLUB HOLD MEETING

The Women's Improvement Club held their regular meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Dora Fuller. A Christmas party was held after the meeting.

BRIDGE CLUB HOLDS XMAS PARTY

The Newark afternoon bridge club held their Christmas party on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Dora Fuller.

NEWARK MEMBERS ATTEND DINNER

Many Newark members attended the Native Sons dinner on Monday evening in Centerville.

LADIES AUXILIARY HOLD MEETING

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Newark Fire Department held their meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. A. L. Silva.

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RECOVERING FROM TONSIL OPERATION

Henry Marshall, Jr. is recovering after submitting to a tonsil operation by Dr. Grimmer at Irvington.

SUCCUMBS TO LINGERING ILLNESS

MISSION SAN JOSE—Funeral services were held yesterday for Jack Goularte, barber at Mission San Jose for 28 years, who passed away at his home here after an illness of four years. Mass was said at St. Joseph's church and interment was at St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of the Berge mortuary.

The deceased was a native of Fayal, the Azores and came to the Mission 34 years ago. He is survived by his widow, Louisa, and a son, Roy. He was 64 years of age.

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CHAPTER VII

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The festival held that evening in Tracery's Medici Room was one of such intimate splendor of matter and mind that, though I subscribed to it, when first I awoke the next morning, I wondered if it was not a dream.

I sat between two Old Masters—on the left of the Duchess of Whelp and the right of the Countess of Brief. Each glowed with the sterling quality of a forgotten age. Lost arts made up their being. Sheer beauty lived with kindness: sheer brilliance beamed with good will. And each admiring the other was thus exalted. Their natural royalty was duly served. Powdered footmen in scarlet livery stood behind every chair: gold plate winked upon the table: the choicest fare was perfectly presented.

And there I will leave an event which neither Herrick nor I will ever forget, for that evening we two hobnobbed with the stuff that queens were made of in olden days.

That Herrick found instant favor, I need not say. Indeed, Old Harry and he were as good as a play, for, as I have said before, his address was beyond compare, and I think that each of them whetted the other's wit.

When dinner was done, Herrick and I were left with orders to "join the ladies" in ten minutes' time: and when that had gone, we were led to a glorious salon, whose Sixteenth-century tapestries filled the eye.

Though the evening was warm, a fire of logs had been lighted upon the hearth: before this the Duchess was resting upon a mighty chaise longue, and Elizabeth was standing beside a jamb of the fireplace, one of her beautiful hands on the chiseled stone, regarding the leisurely flicker that hovered above a hillock of rose-gray ash.

As the door closed behind us—"I have ordered your car," said Old Harry, "for half past ten. That gives us just half an hour, which should be enough. I've one or two things to say, and I'll say them first."

"I think we all know where we are and where we shall be next Tuesday at five o'clock. On no account try to conceal that we have already met. That way madness lies. We have all met here tonight—for the very first time. Let no one be ill at ease. Except for Richard Exxon, I don't think anyone will."

"Oh, madam," protested Herrick. "Don't interrupt," said Old Harry. "Besides, you'd be at ease with a gaggle of Elders discussing the wrath to come."

I very near laughed and Elizabeth covered her mouth.

"If you feel uneasy, Richard, always remember at once that though Brief is doing the honors, you are Elizabeth's guest. And that, I think, should bring your confidence back. You will take your man, Winter, with you, and I shall take three servants to look after me. One will be Parish—that excellent English page whom you have already seen. Should need arise, we can communicate through them, with all convenience. Tell the police that you have been invited to Brief, as you understand, to meet me. That will set you above all suspicion, such is this snobbish world."

One thing more.

"As luck will have it, Elizabeth's mother's jewels were held by the firm of goldsmiths whom I have always employed. Bauble and Levity—you probably know the name. She has, therefore, written to them to say that by my advice she will have the gems reset and desiring them to be ready with new designs against her coming to London in six weeks' time. That letter will send the ball flying; and since she gave this address, the reply will come to this house and will go on to Brief by hand, in my private bag."

"And now can anyone think of anything else? Because, if they can, let us have it—for better or worse. We shan't see each other again until we strut on to the stage."

There was a little silence.

"Very good," said Old Harry. "And now I want to see Mr. Herrick alone. Take your leave of me, Richard, and then make the best of the terrace, until Mr. Herrick appears. Elizabeth will go with you."

I stepped to her side.

"Madam," I said, "I have much to thank you for."

"I don't know about that. Never mind. I've much enjoyed your visit—and that's a thing I can say to very few guests."

"Thank you, madam." I put her hand to my lips. "I hope you're not very tired."

"Tired be damned," said Old Harry. "I never felt so fit in my life."

"Till Tuesday, madam."

The Duchess smiled and nodded, and I followed Elizabeth out of the handsome chamber and, presently, into the air.

Elizabeth led the way to the head of the steps.

"It's all your doing," she said.

"Which is absurd," said I. "She's mad about you."

"My dear, you gave her the lead. I had a claim upon her. How could she fail me, when you, upon whom I had none, had done so much?"

I shook my head.

"You must think yourself," I said. "I saw you—and that was enough. And as with me, so with her. The king's ring got you inside; but, once you were in—well, supposing you'd asked for the moon, she might have told you off, but when she was through, she'd have sent for a pair of steps."

Elizabeth laughed. Then she slid her arm through mine.

"I wish I was going with you. I've been so happy at Raven: and

with you is to run into debt—your debt. And at once one's instinct is to do what little one can to pay you back."

Elizabeth raised her eyebrows.

"I'm afraid you're an idealist, Richard. And that's a mistake, my dear. Red Lead Lane should have shown you . . . But then the complete idealist never learns. If it makes you happy to set me up in a niche, why then you must have your way. I'll smile upon you from there. And sometimes, when you're not looking, I might climb down and be a good-looking girl, with the usual human passions, a weakness for animals and a definite love of dress."

She plucked at her frock. "Can there any good thing come out of Salz-

the matter, I presently grew quite sure that we were to be attacked, and, since I was driving, I made Herrick take my pistol, because, for once in a way, he had left his behind, on the bed, he said.

Our alarms were without foundation.

We were not fired upon, and Raven was fast asleep. And since we were very tired, we shared a bottle of beer and stumbled upstairs.

I had put on my pajamas, when Herrick opened my door.

"What d'you make of this?" he said.

"Gone?" said I, staring.

"Gone," said Herrick. "As I told you just now, I left it out on the bed. Well, the bed's been made:

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Fun for the Whole Family

BIG TOP Will Alta, the elephant, go through with her act? "Silk" Fowler, hungry for revenge, hopes not.



MEANWHILE, "SPEED" HAD LEFT THE HOSPITAL WAGON AND PICKED UP THE BUCKET WHICH BRAGG HAD OFFERED ALTA

UNDER THE "BIG TOP," "SILK" FOWLER NERVOUSLY WATCHED ALTA FROM THE FAR END OF THE ARENA

By ED WHEELAN

LALA PALOOZA Professor Zeero Has an Idea



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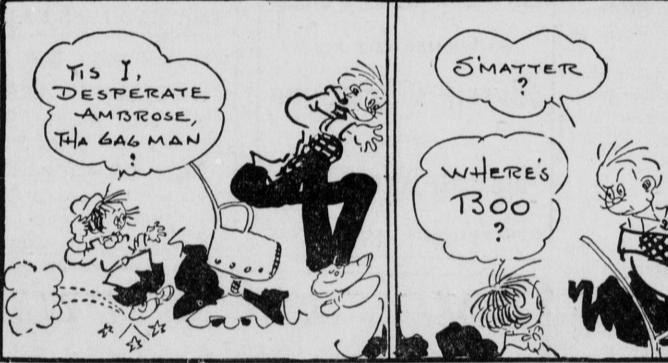
WHY, THE IDEA! I LOVE HER AND I WOULDN'T THINK OF -

ALL RIGHT - I SAY "BAZOOKA, BAZOOKA" AND SHE NO MARRY YOU - BUT, I'M BROKE, PROFESSOR - OF COURSE, AFTER WE GET MARRIED I'LL HAVE CHARGE OF HER FINANCES

NOW YOU TALK SENSIBLE GONZALES YOU MAKE GOOD COFFEE

By RUBE GOLDBERG

S'MATTER POP— Ambrose, He Got Pop to Boo-hooing'



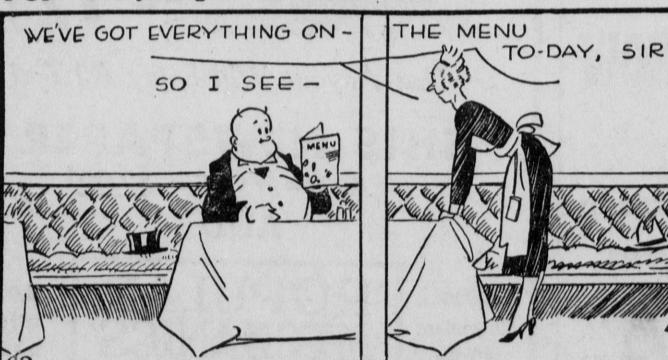
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Employer—Really, Tompkins, your figures are disgraceful. Just look at that three; anyone would take it for a five.

Clerk—It is a five, sir.
Employer—Well, I should have sworn it was there.

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Customer—I've come back to buy the car I was looking at yesterday.

Salesman—Fine. Now tell me, what was the one dominating thing that made you decide to buy this car?

Customer—My wife.

How Many Learn It?
Young Mother—Nurse, what is the most difficult thing for a young mother to learn?

Nurse—That other people have perfect children, too.—New Outlook.

Contaminated
Son—What is filthy lucre?
Father—Money belonging to other people.—Stray Stories Magazine.

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By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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"Yaas, Ah wuz."
"Doan yo' member what de good book sez 'bout turnin' de odder cheek?"
"Yaas, pasoon, but he hit me on mah nose, an' I see only got one."

CAMERA!



His Wife—You're a beast and a rotter. It's after two in the morning and I've been sitting up for you all this time.

The Movie Director—I'll have to ask you to repeat that, my dear. Your face didn't show enough indignation and your gestures were too subdued. Now, once more, please.

NO TAXIS



Mrs. Week-End—So glad you came. Did you motor up here?

Mr. and Mrs. Everbroke—No. We bussed up from the station.



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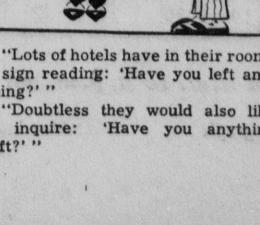
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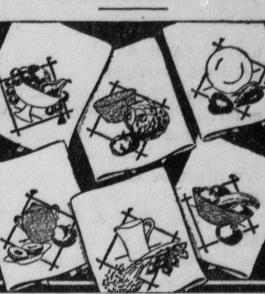
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HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS



Aging Fireplace.—If you have brick around your fireplace or flagstone hearth try rubbing it with oil applied on a soft cloth. Brick treated in such a manner will have a more seasoned appearance.

Replace Worn Casters.—Inspect the casters on your furniture. They may be tearing holes in your rugs because they are broken or worn.

Overcoat for Garden.—Evergreen boughs make an excellent winter protection for gardens. They are light, do not mat and do not weight down plants such as madonna lilies and do not retain too much moisture.

Seasonings Are Important.—In stew it is best to have a variety of seasonings, with no one too much in evidence. Herbs, parsley, celery, grated carrots and onions can be used alone or in combination.

Cleaning Porcelain Stove.—Always allow a porcelain-topped stove to cool before washing it. If washed while it is warm the porcelain is apt to crack. Use a mild soap, warm water and a soft cloth. With a little rubbing the stove will be easily cleaned.

A Bedroom Chair.—An inexpensive but attractive easy-chair for a girl's bedroom may be made from an ordinary folding garden or deck-chair. The plain wooden frame should be painted with enamel in any suitable shade, and the canvas seat covered with or replaced by a cover made from chintz or cretonne to match the curtains or bedspread. A small cushion covered with the same material should be hung by neat loops from the top of the chair back.

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